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Case No. 2168A

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Roy P. Demott, Kimberly C. Gillis, Ernest G. Stringer, Terence M. Hedley
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For: **MAT AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A MAT**
Group Art Unit: 1771
Examiner: Befumo, Jenna Leigh

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Attorney for Applicant(s) hereby requests an extension of time of three (3) months in which to respond to the Action which was mailed January 9, 2003. Upon granting this request Applicant's response will be due on July 9, 2003. Please charge the \$930.00 fee and any additional fees, and credit any overpayment, for this Extension of Time to our deposit account number 04-0500. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

It is respectfully urged that this request is proper and that it be granted to provide the additional time necessary to formulate a satisfactory response to this Official Action. It is believed that by granting this request further prosecution of this application will be expedited and Applicant's interest in achieving the best possible protection for his invention can be best achieved.

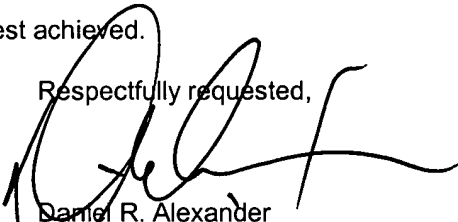
Respectfully requested,

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